

Screening Tool Steps for Soil Health Ranking Category

1. Take Application and enter into Program Contracts System (ProTracts)
2. Enter Application in ArcGIS Screening Tool
3. Delineate boundary of application or select Common Land Units (CLUs)
The Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) application number will be used as the identification (ID) for screening (this needs to be the same throughout the screening and ranking process).
4. Answer Screening Tool questions:
 - *Does the applicant have a previously cancelled or terminated contract (if yes, low priority)?*
 - *Does the application address any of the Kansas High Priority Resource issues? Conservation Programs Geographic Information System (GIS) Interface (CPGI) will answer this question for the ranking category.*
5. The state office will run the screening tool by December 30, 2013, and screen all applications.
 - a. High priority applications will include the top **30 percent** of applications.
 - b. Medium priority applications will be the next **20 percent** of applications.
 - c. The remaining applications and those identified from initial screening Question will be low priority

Ranking Categories—Soil Health (use state issues to screen)—CPGI tool updated to include the following for screening **ONLY**:

- Unit of concern is located within an at-risk species area—1 point
- Erosion Index (EI):
 1. $EI \geq 8$ for all soils in unit of concern—3 points
 2. $EI \geq 8$ for any soil but at least 50 percent of unit of concern—2 points
 3. $EI \geq 8$ for any soil in unit of concern—1 point
- Available Water Storage Index
 1. Dominant soil in unit of concern is very low—4 points
 2. Low—3 points
 3. Medium—2 points
 4. High—1 point
- Unit of concern is located in a priority Watershed Restoration and Protection Strategy (WRAPS) implementation area—1 point
- Is application located in Kansas Department of Health and Environment high priority Total Maximum Daily Load watershed for Dissolved Oxygen?
 1. ≥ 50 percent—2 points
 2. < 50 percent—1 point